

Comprehensive Cancer Control Program

- Prostate Cancer

Facts about prostate cancer in Washington State:

- Second most common cancer overall in Washington
- Each year, about 4,500 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer in Washington
- Second leading cause of death from cancer in men in Washington
- Each year about 600 men die of prostate cancer in Washington
- African American men face higher incidence and mortality rates when compared to men of other racial or ethnic groups

Comprehensive Cancer Control...

"An integrated and coordinated approach to reducing cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality through prevention, early detection, treatment, rehabilitation, and palliation."

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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FACT SHEET

The Washington State Department of Health Comprehensive Cancer Control Program coordinates and facilitates a statewide collaborative effort to develop, implement, and evaluate a state comprehensive cancer control plan. The mission of the program is to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality, and cancer related health disparities in Washington.

Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership

The Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership is the group of diverse stakeholders who are working together to implement the *Washington State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan*. The Department of Health is a key stakeholder in the Partnership. The plan serves as a framework to guide the efforts of the Partnership. The plan consists of a broad set of goals, objectives, and strategies for reducing the cancer burden in Washington.

The Washington State Prostate Cancer Task Force

The Washington Prostate Cancer Task Force is a plan implementation work group of the Partnership coordinated and funded to achieve the *Washington State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan* goal and objective for prostate cancer:

Goal

Improve informed decision-making between men and their providers regarding prostate cancer screening.

Objective

By 2008, increase the number of men who have talked with their provider about screening for prostate cancer.

Baseline: To be established. Data source: BRFSS.

Funding

The Prostate Cancer Task Force is funded through the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program as part of a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The project is currently funded at \$200,000 per year through June 2007. Funding supports a project coordinator, other professional staff, and the implementation activities of the Task Force.